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## MARGINAL COLUMN

By JOHN B. SAYERS

FEARS long entertained by the people of Northern Ireland have been realised by the growing number and intensity of attacks on the Province. Since the underground Irish Republican Army resumed warfare against the border with the successful raid on Armagh military depot some time back, the campaign was expected to be stepped up and to present a major threat to security.

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THE situation has been worsened by the appearance of two satellite organizations Saor Uladh (Free Ulster) and the Irish Liberation Movement, which have also been responsible for infiltration across the frontier from Eire. The former is also believed responsible for the recent bombing of the police station at Roslea, County Fermanagh.

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THE Royal Ulster Constabulary believe, however, that the most recent operations were mounted by the Irish Republican Army from its secret headquarters in Eire and that many of those who took part came from south of the border. This is suggested by the fact that three of the men captured in North Antrim had addresses in Cork.

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ONE theory is that the I.R.A., the successor to the Irish Republican Brotherhood which inspired the Easter Rebellion of 1916, has been stung to such violent action by the inroads made on its authority by the two splinter groups. While the I.R.A. leaders have so far confined their objectives to British military establishments, the others favour a more general policy of attacks on strategic points in the North. In so doing they have challenged the I.R.A. power of command, and obtained many recruits among young men in Northern Ireland and Eire.

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THE I.R.A. is now seen to have made a large-scale demonstration of its power and its refusal to surrender to rival bodies. It has also widened its scope by destroying such installations as the B.B.C. transmitter at Londonderry, and has shown a new disregard for the safety of civilians by the attempts to blow up the Armagh army barracks, the post office, and telephone exchange, close to which many people are living.

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NORTHERN Ireland today is calm, but there is deep indignation against the Government in Eire which is failing to take any repressive steps against the three subversive organizations concerned, and to give any cooperation to the Ulster police to bring the terrorists to justice.

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ONE result of the incidents will be yet another demand by the Northern Ireland Government that the British Government should make a forcible protest to the Government of the Irish Republic against the use of its territory for the waging of war on Ulster. This has repeatedly been asked for in the past but it has never been officially revealed that the British Government has complied.

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LEFT to their own devices the Northern Ireland Government will not hesitate to bring in more security measures. Among these is the restoration of the power of internment without trial under the Civil Authorities Special Powers Act which has been in abeyance for some years. An increase in the strength of the Police and special constabulary and the use of the military forces stationed in Ulster is also a possibility.

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MEANWHILE, Cabinet Ministers are saying that because of the alertness of the police and their quickness in tackling the armed bands, much heavier damage was averted. Even so, it will cost more than £60,000 to restore the B.B.C. transmitter and the bombed Territorial Army headquarters in Enniskillen. But much apprehension will continue to be felt lest the situation deteriorates into one of widespread civil strife between anti-partition and Unionist factions in Northern Ireland.

*Belfast, December 1956.*

## Murals Found in Ancient Synagogue in Syria

NEW HAVEN, Connecticut, Sunday (INA). — Paintings on the walls of an ancient synagogue excavated in Syria indicate that the Jews of antiquity made illustrated books of the Bible despite the ban on pictures of humans. This is the conclusion of Dr. Kurt H. Kraeling, former Yale University Archaeology Professor, as reported in "The Synagogue" to be published next month by the Yale University Press.

The murals were found on the walls of a synagogue of Dura-Europos, a city that lay under the Syrian desert for 1,700 years until its rediscovery in 1921. Paintings on the synagogue walls represent 40 biblical episodes, including incidents from the Exodus and the life of Moses.

## Syrians Charge Iraq Supported Shishakly Plot

Britain, France and Iraq were named as the instigators of a plot to overthrow the Syrian Government in the charge sheet which was made known by the military prosecutor in Damascus.

An official announcement yesterday said that 20 are now under arrest, while 13 of the plotters managed to escape. The accused will face public trial under regulations which provide the maximum sentence of death if they are found guilty. The list of the accused is headed by Brig. Adib Shishakly, ex-dictator of Syria, and includes four former Ministers, six parliamentary deputies, and a number of army officers.

Major Yousef Shakra, the military prosecutor, charged that the British Military Attache in Beirut was handed "certain documents" by the conspirators, and that the Iraqi Legation in Damascus had been financing the plot with the hope of replacing the Assali Government by one headed by Dr. Munir al Ajluni, one of the accused, which would pursue a policy more favourable to Iraq and the West.

He asserted that the conspirators' time-schedule for a *coup d'etat* was upset when President Shukri Kuwatly went to Moscow last month. The *coup* was postponed to avoid giving Kuwatly the chance of flying to Cairo and there proclaiming a "Free Syrian" government if the *coup* was successful. The plot was discovered, it was disclosed, when police captured two jeeploads of documents near the Iraqi border.

The indictment also alleged that while "imperialism" was behind the plot, the Iraqi Government was the "executor" of it. The prosecutor has asked death sentences for nine of the accused.

The charge sheet said that the suspects had confessed that Foreign Minister Burhan e-Din Bashayan and Brig. Ghazi Daghistani of Iraq had talked Shishakly into staging the plot during a visit to Geneva. Alleged confessions revealed that the Iraqi Government was prepared to spend up to £5m. to finance the plot, which also included plans for the French and British fleets to land forces on the Syrian coast. *(UP, Reuter)*

## N. Sumatra Army Chief Dismissed

JAKARTA, Sunday (Reuter). — The Indonesian Government today dismissed Col. Simbolen, Commander of the Third Territorial District in North Sumatra who earlier announced over Medan Radio that he had taken over the administrative power of that province and no longer recognized the central Government.

An official statement said the actions of Col. Simbolen were "a breach of the law of the State" and endangered the welfare of the nation. The Government announced that Col. Simbolen's deputy should take over command of his district, and named a second officer who was to assume command if the first were unable to do so.

Gen. Abdul Haris Nasution, Army Chief of Staff, whose headquarters are in Jakarta, was given direct "tactical command" over regiments at Atjeh and Central Sumatra. The regimental commander of Central Sumatra, Col. Ahmad Hussein, has taken over administrative power of that province.

The official statement also said that only Parliament could decide whether Parliament should be dissolved and called on the army, police and people to uphold the fundamental principles of the constitution. The statement also said that the Government was making efforts to improve the internal situation, and together with Parliament, was working out a new status for the provinces.

## Ishibashi Installed As Japan's Premier

TOKYO, Sunday (UP). — The new Cabinet of the 70-year-old economist, Mr. Tanzan Ishibashi, came into official being today with his investiture as Premier by Emperor Hirohito at an Imperial Palace ceremony.

Final allocation of major posts was:

Foreign Minister, Mr. Nobusuke Kishi; Justice, Mr. Umekichi Nakamura; Finance Mr. Hayato Ikeda; Education, Mr. Hirokichi Nadao; Welfare, Mr. Hiroshi Kanda; International Trade and Industry, Mr. Mikio Mizuta; Transport, Mr. Tanso Mitsui; Post and Telegraphs, Mr. Hori; Labour, Mr. Matsuzo; Construction, Mr. Nuga.

### CHOU TO U.S.S.R.

LONDON, Sunday (Reuter). — Premier Chou En-lai of China has accepted a Soviet Government invitation to visit Russia next month, Moscow radio said today. Mr. Chou at present is on a 10-day tour of Pakistan.

## Coal Lack Paralyzes Hungarian Industry

BUDAPEST, Sunday (Reuter). — Scores of thousands of Hungarian workers were thrown idle today when many major industrial plants all over the country closed their gates and stopped production because they were short of coal, usually reliable sources in Budapest said.

Only skeleton staffs of maintenance men and stocktakers remained on duty servicing and repairing equipment and taking inventories.

Unemployed workers will receive only half pay during the stoppage, which is expected to last until January 2, the sources said.

Only 4,000 workers were on duty at the giant Csepel iron and steel combine on the outskirts of Budapest, which comprises 18 individual plants employing about 30,000 men.

Up to the shut-down, which began on government orders, about two-thirds of the total work force had returned to duty following the end of the six-week nation-wide general strike that crippled industry since the Hungarian uprising of October 23.

### Work on Sunday

Although today was Sunday, it was regarded as a normal working half-day like Saturday on Government instructions, and tomorrow, Tuesday and Wednesday will be official holidays. Idle workers will draw pay for these holidays.

The official party paper, "Nep Szabad," yesterday admitted that riots occurred about 10 days ago in Eger. The rioters marched on the Eger (Communist) Party headquarters, singing religious songs." The newspaper said that during the three-day combat, the Eger rebels also:

1. Attacked the Soviet Army headquarters;
2. Attacked police with hand grenades, tried to seize weapons from the police, beat up a police captain, and tried to lynch him.
3. Seized and occupied the city printing plant and printed "counter-revolutionary posters."

The police had no other choice but to disperse the crowd by firing at them, the Government organ said. It gave no idea of the casualties which were believed to be very heavy.

## E. Germany Expels Student Rebels

BERLIN, Sunday (UP). — East German authorities today expelled student rebels at Leipzig's Karl Marx University.

A Communist speaker at a university rally said "provocateurs in the medical school were isolated." To "isolate" in Communist jargon, when used in reference to students, means to expel.

The disclosure of disciplinary action against anti-Communist students was made at a meeting addressed by the party leader, Walter Ulbricht. A report of the meeting was carried by the Communist Party newspaper "Neues Deutschland."

Ulbricht said "neither statements nor actions of a hostile character" will be allowed in the university. "Democratization does not mean restoration of old capitalist relationships," he said. "It means instead the strengthening of the workers' and peasants' power.

Ulbricht said the world had a choice only between Communism and Capitalism. "Hungary has shown that the so-called third path is nothing but counter-revolution," he said.

## Cuba to Demand Action Against USSR

UNITED NATIONS, Sunday (Reuter). — Dr. Emilio Nunes Portuondo, Cuba's Ambassador to the U.N., said yesterday his delegation will ask the Assembly after the holiday recess to take economic or political action against the Soviet Union for intervening in Hungary.

He said Cuba will also ask that representatives of the Hungarian Government of Premier Janos Kadar be withdrawn from the Assembly. The Assembly resumes its seasons on January 30.

## Infiltrators From Jordan Blast Yokne'am Clinic

The Kupat Holim dispensary at Yokne'am, north-west of Mishmar Hasemek, was blown up early yesterday morning by infiltrators from Jordan, the Army spokesman announced.

The building was severely damaged, but there were no casualties.

Tracks of men wearing rubber-soled shoes were found leading southwards from the scene of the explosion to the Jordan borde..

The explosives were placed beneath the columns of the building. They were set off with a time-fuse. The blast cracked the walls, destroyed the floors, and blew out the windows.

## 2 Marauders From Gaza Killed

Jerusalem Post Reporter

BEERSHEBA, Sunday.— Two marauders from Gaza were killed yesterday as they were fleeing from the storehouse of the Eshkol Farming Estate, south of Kibbuts Dorot.

Dinof Jacki, a member of Moshav Eshkol, saw two suspicious-looking men loitering near the storeroom of the nearby Eshkol Farm. Unarmed, he first went home to bring his rifle and then called on the men to come closer and identify themselves.

The pair began to run away, and Jacki shot, killing both.

Papers found on the bodies showed that the men had come from Gaza.

Infiltrators from Jordan on Friday night blew up a rainwater reservoir under the bridge at Km. 18 on the Wadi Ara Road. Slight damage was caused.

Police investigators found tracks leading to the Jordan border.

### INDONESIANS JOINING UNEF IN EGYPT

UNITED NATIONS, Sunday (UP). — An Indonesian contingent will soon join U.N. forces in Egypt, it was announced today. The contingent of 550 officers and men will be the ninth national unit to join the UNEF.

An advance party of six Indonesian officers is expected to arrive in Cairo on December 28.

# U.N. Troops to Leave Port Said Within Two Days, Cairo Claims

## 3 U.N. Columns into Sinai

PORT SAID, Sunday (UP). — The U.N. Commander here, Col. Carl Engholm, said today that his troops would remain in the city for "at least two days" and then would cross into the Sinai to supervise the Israel withdrawal.

The first U.N. units would begin to pull out tomorrow, he said.

Col. Engholm made the announcement after a conference with the Egyptian commander, Brigadier Amin Hilmy, and the Governor of Port Said, Mohammed Riad.

U.N. sources said the U.N. Emergency Force will fan out into the Sinai desert in three columns. A Yugoslav column will take the northern road through El Kantara, a Colombian column the central road from Ismailia and a combined Danish-Norwegian battalion the southern road from Suez.

Final arrangements for the move were to be made later today at a conference of U.N. commanders at El Ballah, south of here.

## *To Follow Israel's Withdrawal*

CAIRO, Sunday. — Most U.N. Emergency Force troops in Port Said will be pulled out of the city within two days in order to follow up Israel's withdrawal from the Sinai Peninsula "with greater speed," it was officially announced in Cairo today.

Earlier, an Egyptian army spokesman disclosed here that Abdul Nasser is due in Port Said in a few days formally to receive control of the city from the U.N.E.F.

There was no confirmation of these reports from U.N. sources, however.

The U.N. troops in Port Said took over from the Anglo-French forces which completed their evacuation of the city yesterday.

Meanwhile, large crowds shouting "Long Live Nasser" and "Down with Eden and Mollet" burned British and French flags in Port Said today. Demonstrators carried Egyptian flags and pictures of President Nasser.

The demonstrations reached their peak this afternoon when a symbolic detachment of the Egyptian army marched into the city. The U.N.E.F. handed over security to the Egyptian police and withdrew to barracks.

Festive rifle and machine-gun fire sounded above the tolling of church bells in the city. While police and U.N. forces rolled back the barbed wire which had sealed off the Anglo-French evacuation perimeter, Egyptians fired into the air to mark the end of the 48-day occupation.

### Remove Flags

Firemen with ladders climbed the giant statue of the builder of the Suez Canal, Ferdinand de Lesseps, which overlooks the entrance to the harbour, to remove British and French flags while Egyptian police took over control of the dock area. Egyptian flags flew from buildings and hung from windows together with pictures of Abdul Nasser. Even churches were flag-bedecked for Sunday morning services.

U.N. forces in conjunction with the International Red Cross set up three churches as asylums for members of the European community fearing reprisals.

Thousands of arms are known to be in the hands of the inhabitants and a senior Egyptian police officer said a house-to-house search would be held to recover them.

At the same time special contingents of Egyptian coastguards, traffic police, railway, telephone and telegraph workers arrived to get the city back to normal.

The first team of Egyptian doctors left Cairo for Port Said today together with officials instructed to report immediately on the supply situation.

Harbour tugs and lighters which the British had stored in neighbouring Port Fuad also were brought back to Port Said.

As a tail-piece to the evacuation, U.N. officials said they expected that 20-year-old Lieutenant Anthony Moorhouse, the British officer kidnapped by Egyptian guerrillas 11 days ago, would be released today.

Egyptian guerrillas refused to release Lt. Moorhouse yesterday despite orders from Cairo that he be turned over to the British troops evacuating Port Said. *(Reuter, UP)*

## Cabinet Discusses Gaza and Budget

The Cabinet discussed the political situation at two sessions yesterday, the official communique stated.

It is learned that among the questions discussed was the situation in Gaza.

The Cabinet devoted five hours to the IL850m. budget for 1957/58. It will meet again this morning and there appeared a possibility that it will approve the estimates today.

If approved, it will be tabled in the Knesset next Monday, and it is hoped that the Finance Minister, Mr. Levi Eshkol, will make his Budget speech later in the week.

It was understood that the main part of the meeting dealt with the Development Budget.

Two points to be noted regarding the new Development Budget are the big cut in the allocation for the subsidies — which should result in a rise in the cost-of-living index by at least four points, according to Government economists — and the small allocation made for development south of Beersheba.

## Cairo's Joy Incomplete: Israelis Still in Egypt

While Egyptians rejoice at the withdrawal of the Anglo-French forces from Port Said, "our happiness is marred by the fact that Israelis are still on Egyptian soil. The battle goes on," according to Col. Kamal Henawi, Abdul Nasser's Press Secretary, yesterday in Cairo.

The Cairo daily "El Akhbar," quoted the newly appointed Minister for Port Said, Wing Commander Abdul Latif Baghdadi, as having said that the reconstruction of the city would take six months.

Baghdadi revealed that over 200 architects and contractors will be engaged in "one of the greatest reconstruction projects ever seen in the Middle East."

Meanwhile, the Old City daily "El Jihad" yesterday again urged Egypt and the Arab people "to be firm on Gaza" and not to permit a "single drop of Arab oil or ship" to pass through the Suez Canal until Israel withdraws from Gaza.

## Jewish Congress Urges U.N. Action on Egypt

NEW YORK, Sunday (INA). —A photostatic copy of the special laws published in Egypt in which the Government has taken "repressive measures" against Jews has been submitted by the World Jewish Congress to Mr. Dag Hammarskjold, Secretary-General of the U.N.

Urging U.N. intervention to halt such measures, the W.J.C. said that special orders and proclamations conferred "unlimited powers on certain officials to sequester all possessions, businesses and industrial enterprises and to dispose of or liquidate them with consent of the Ministry of Finance."

The W.J.C. stated that the photostatic copy of the orders lists hundreds of Jewish individuals and firms, and that "virtually every Jewish-owned enterprise of significance" had been taken over. Jews holding Egyptian citizenship, Jews of other nationalities and Egyptian-born stateless persons were victims of the orders.

Quoting neutral sources and information from hundreds of refugees expelled from Egypt, the W.J.C. said that thousands of Jews have been deprived of their livelihood. Some had been suspended from their jobs without compensation while others had been prevented from following their professions.

## Coalition Agrees On Tax Changes

All members of the Coalition have agreed to approve the income tax amendments when voting on the first reading takes place in the Knesset today, it was decided last night at the meeting of the Coalition Executive.

This was disclosed by Mr. A. Govrin (Mapai), Chairman of the Executive, who added that there will be no basic changes in the bill as drafted.

This means that taxes will not be higher than 600 pruta on IL1 for medium-bracket income earners, and that heads of families will be paying lower rates while bachelors will be charged more.

Still to be decided in the Knesset Finance Committee is the question of untaxable overtime. At present there are 40,000 persons who benefit from reduced taxes on their overtime income. All members of the Executive agreed that this was too great a burden on the economy and that these benefits should be limited to a considerably smaller number, Mr. Govrin said.

Another point to be decided upon is the age limit of bachelors who are liable to increased tax rates.

No income tax will be charged on the new cost-of-living allowance, the Executive further decided.

### ANTI-SOVIET PARADE BANNED IN BOMBAY

BOMBAY, Sunday (Reuter). — Police today arrested 135 Praja Socialist Party volunteers defying a ban on processions by attempting to march to the home of the Soviet trade representative here in protest against Soviet intervention in Hungary.

## Polish Jews Demand Curb on Anti-Semites

WASHINGTON, Sunday (INA). — Polish Jewry in Warsaw has sounded an urgent call for action by the new Polish regime against growing anti-Semitism.

It was learned from official sources here that the Jews in Poland have formally demanded that the Gomulka Government allow emigration to Israel without restriction, closer contacts with Jewish groups abroad, and the rebuilding of Jewish institutions.

Polish Jews met in Warsaw earlier this month to discuss the new situation resulting from the Polish rejection of Soviet influence and the results of the meeting were broadcast by Warsaw Radio in Yiddish to Europe and confirmed by diplomatic circles.

## U.N. Ready To Clear Canal

PORT SAID, Sunday. — The head of the U.N. salvage operations, General Raymond Wheeler, announced that the United Nations would begin work clearing the Canal tomorrow provided Col. Mahmoud Yunis, chief of the Egyptian Canal Administration, gave final permission.

In New York yesterday, an authoritative source said the U.N. will have 15 salvage vessels in the Port Said area ready to launch clearance operations by tomorrow. *(UP, Reuter)*

## Goldmann on U.N. Regime for Gaza

WASHINGTON, Sunday (UP). —Dr. Nahum Goldmann, President of the World Zionist Organization, said today that he believed Israel would withdraw from the Gaza Strip if she had "some assurance that the Arabs would not start attacking again."

He said he thought Israel would be satisfied if Gaza were taken over by the U.N. and used as a buffer zone until ownership of the Strip can be settled.

Dr. Goldmann, interviewed on a television show, said that in his talks with Premier David Ben-Gurion last week, he got the impression that Israel would withdraw if the U.N. gave the "necessary guarantees." He said it would be logical for Gaza to become part of Israel because it "certainly is not part of Egypt."

He said Israel is ready to absorb some 80,000 Arabs now living in Gaza.

Dr. N. Goldmann, in his capacity as President of the World Zionist Organization, on Friday discussed the reports of Egyptian persecution of Jews on Egyptian territory with the Undersecretary of State for Near Eastern Affairs, William Rountree.

## Rebels Kill Three In Algiers Attacks

ALGIERS, Sunday (UP). — French military authorities reported terrorist attacks within Algiers city yesterday in what otherwise appeared to be a brief let-up in the nearly 26-months-old war.

The attacks, which brought death to three civilians and injuries to two others, followed on the heels of an appeal by Franco-Moslem societies for a truce over the Christmas holiday.

Two European residents, a 47-year-old man identified only as Benadira and an Algiers waterworks official named Nicolas Morliere, fell dead under a hail of pistol bullets. The attacks were carried out separately.

A third who met death at the hands of terrorists was a Moslem labourer named Ramdani Lakdar, 27, who was shot only a few hundred yards from a police station.

Earlier, French military authorities reported that a 32-man rebel band was "entirely annihilated" in eastern Algeria yesterday while terrorists dynamited two highway bridges in the western end of the country. Battle casualties on the French side were listed as only four wounded. The clash, described by authorities as "an important engagement," took place south of Tebessa, 107 miles south of Bone close to the Tunisian border.

*Friends from France* visiting Israel include the five-man delegation of the French Socialist Party (seen above outside the Histadrut Executive building in Tel Aviv). Photo by Beres

## FRENCH SOCIALISTS BACK B.G.'s VIEWS

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — The French Socialist Party delegation, which left today after a six-day visit, found "a complete identity of views" with Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion on most issues, Senator Pierre Commin, who led the delegation, told the Press this morning.

M. Commin refused to divulge what was discussed with Mr. Ben-Gurion during the two and a half hour meeting last Thursday, but in answer to questions stated that in the opinion of the delegation:

- Economic, cultural and political ties, in that order, between France and Israel should be strengthened.
- Israel should be included in any general European system of cooperation, Europe being given a very extensive meaning such as would include North Africa.

"I am certainly not opposed to a formal political, cultural and economic agreement," M. Commin said. However, he added, being a representative of a party, not of the Government, he could not say anything that would be binding on France. In fact, in some avenues of economic and cultural co-operation a good start had already been made, but governments and diplomats were better suited than a party delegation to indulge in details.

On the suggestion of Mr. Ben-Gurion, the S.F.I.O. (French Socialist Party) may try to send young Frenchmen to kibbutzim or other places to learn at first hand Israel's ideas of social development.

The presence of so many French-speaking citizens in this country was "an agreeable surprise," M. Commin said. The delegation will ask the Government to increase the sums for the French embassy programme of mobile libraries, and to release immediately the sums necessary for the construction of a French secondary school in Tel Aviv.

"We have in mind one conquest only," M. Commin remarked. "That of your heart, spirit and reason." "France has no other aspirations in Israel," he added.

Regarding "Arab stubbornness," M. Commin said he was sure it was not "definitive." But to overcome it the co-operation of other countries would be necessary, "including France and Israel."

The Israel rule in Gaza, for one thing, created a new situation, he said. Its success merited attention, as it indicated possibilities of solving the whole question of Arab refugees. France should direct all her energies to solving this problem, he declared.

Now they have been in Israel, the delegates were even more convinced that France acted soundly in taking certain decisions at a critical period, M. Commin stated. Otherwise Israel would have been annihilated; now Israel could serve as an example of social and cultural progress to be emulated "in this rotten and miserable Middle East."

M. Commin told reporters how the delegation was greatly impressed in its meetings with "Socialist brothers in Mapai and the Histadrut." The people here, they found, are animated by a great ideal, admirably educated and fully devoted to their great ideal. The Israel experience, he added, showed that planned economy was "a recognized complement" to a free democratic economy. In future, there will be more exchanges between S.F.I.O. and Mapai, he anticipated.

Asked to explain "the Mendes-France riddle," M. Commin said that the most plausible explanation would be that M. Mendes-France was thinking in terms of an impending partial election in Paris, where many Jews lived.

"Mendes-France," the S.F.I.O. Secretary-General remarked wryly, "has never had any liking for swimming against the current." A few months ago he was violently opposed to having the French Government take the decisions which were so important for Israel.

The press conference took place at the Mapai headquarters here. The delegation was introduced by Mapai's Deputy Secretary-General, Mr. Tosia Kesse.

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## Social & Personal

Mr. and Mrs. Yitzhak Shenhav gave a reception at their home in Jerusalem on Saturday evening for Mr. Justice Witkon, on the occasion of the publication by Schocken of Dr. Witkon's "Introduction to the Law of Taxation." Those present included Dr. David Horowitz, Governor of the Bank of Israel; Mr. Haim Cohen, Attorney-General; Mr. Justice Sussman; and Mr. Ze'ev Sharef, Commissioner of State Revenue.

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Mr. David Schiffman, Secretary of the Haifa Branch of the General Merchants Association, has been appointed Secretary General of the Israel Merchants Association, effective January 1.

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Messrs. Matityahu Gordon and Avraham Kamini have been appointed Managing Directors of the Halvaah Vehisachon Jaffa-Tel Aviv Ltd.

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Dr. Ilani-Feigenbaum will speak on "The Israel Canning Industry" before the Kishon Rotary Club, Kiryat Bialik, today at 1.30.

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Because tonight's 20th anniversary concert in Tel Aviv has been completely sold out the I.P.O. management has complied with the public's request for a repeat of the same programme which will take place under the baton of Sergiu Celibidache in Tel Aviv on Saturday, December 29, at 8 p.m.

### Joseph Bejarano Laid to Rest

TEL AVIV, Sunday.—Joseph Bejarano, the industrialist, was laid to rest at the Kiryat Shaul Cemetery today. The funeral started from the Assuta Hospital at 2 p.m.

The cortege made a short halt before the Assia citrus by-products factory of which the deceased was the technical manager.

Members of the Knesset, and prominent members of the business community were among the mourners.

### Changes Made For Electricity Users

Domestic consumers who have a special meter for their water-heating boilers may now interchange the watt allowance for the boilers with their ordinary needs, according to a P.E.C. spokesman.

The ten per cent saving order applies to every factory and workshop, he said. Only those plants which get special instructions from the competent authorities may be exempted from this restriction.

Plants whose production has increased since October will have to apply to the local branch of the Ministry of Commerce for a special allowance.

### $10,000 PLEDGED FOR MEDICAL SCHOOL LAB.

A gift of $10,000 for a laboratory in the new Hebrew University-Hadassah Medical School premises has been pledged by a group of U.S. physicians under the leadership of Dr. Herman T. Blumenthal, Director of Laboratories, Jewish Hospital of St. Louis, Missouri. The laboratory will be situated in the Department of Pathology and will be known as the Dr. S.H. Gray Memorial Laboratory.

### EMERGENCY PHARMACIES

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## Kupat Holim Looks For Snake Serum

Jerusalem Post Reporter

PETAH TIKVA, Sunday. — A serum effective against the country's poisonous snakes is likely to be developed within a year. Research on the serum is now in progress at the Kupat Holim Institute for Medical Research at the Beilinson Hospital here, it was stated by Professor A. De Vries, Director of the Institute, at a meeting with leaders of the Histadrut at the hospital Friday.

Professor De Vries said that the Institute had found that a serum sent from Paris was unsuccessful here. The research into a local serum is sponsored by the Histadrut Executive.

Professor De Vries said that the Institute received some IL65,000 a year for general maintenance from Kupat Holim. In addition, various Histadrut institutions granted funds for individual research projects, and it works in close cooperation with the Weizmann Institute, the School of Medicine in Jerusalem and Government medical institutions.

### Education and Research

Mr. Pinhas Lavon, Secretary-General of the Histadrut, said that it was time that "Histadrut corporations" such as Solel Boneh, Hamashbir Hamerkazi, and banks follow the example of big corporations abroad by earmarking significant parts of their budgets for scientific research, even if not directly connected with their own field. Stressing increased Histadrut attention to academic affairs, he stated that it will soon establish a fund for higher education and research, to start with a budget of IL100,000.

## Bourguiba Praises French Goodwill

TUNIS, Sunday (Reuter). — Prime Minister Habib Bourguiba on Friday paid tribute to French goodwill and forecast renewed economic and cultural co-operation between France and Tunisia.

His broadcast speech indicated an early end to strained relations between the two countries caused by the arrest of Ben Bella and other Algerian leaders last October while flying to Tunis to confer with M. Bourguiba.

All difficulties were being ironed out in an atmosphere of mutual understanding, the Prime Minister said.

The visit to France of Tunisia's Vice-Premier, Beni Ladgham, who saw Foreign Minister Christian Pineau in Paris yesterday, was aimed at "brushing away the clouds" and allowing a normal exchange of diplomatic representatives to be resumed, he added.

### Japan Says Soviet H-Bomb Exploded

TOKYO, Sunday (Reuter). — A spokesman for the Japanese Meteorological Observatory said yesterday that a "big" thermonuclear bomb had been tested by the Soviet Union somewhere in Siberia on December 14.

An accurate report of the bomb's size and the site of the explosion was being prepared by the Observatory, the official said. The report would be made public when data from 15 observatories throughout Japan had been checked.

### LOANS APPROVED

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Public Committee for Development Loans headed by Mr. Pinhas Sapir, Minister of Commerce and Industry, on Tuesday approved loans totalling IL4.5m. to 42 plants, the Ministry spokesman announced.

Applications from 13 other companies were either refused or put off until the Committee's next meeting.

**A YOUTH ADLOYADA** with 2,500 schoolchildren participating will be held in Petah Tikva this Purim.

## ON THE AIR

**FIRST PROGRAMME**
**822, 249, 33.5 & 43.9 M.**

**News: Hebrew:** 6.35, 7.00, 9.00 a.m. 1.30, 5.00, 7.00, 9.00 and 11.00 p.m. **English:** 1.45 p.m. **French:** 2.00 p.m. **Arabic** Programmes (including News): 8.00 a.m. 3.15 and 6.00 p.m. **Turkish News:** 11.30 a.m.

6.30 a.m. Service. 6.37 Exercises. 6.47 Musical Clock (R). 7.15 Melodies (R). 9.00 Close Down.

12.00 N. "Music at Noon" — Marjane (Vocalist). 12.30 From the Concert Hall: Auber: "The Crown Diamonds" Overture Tchaikowsky: Concert Fantasy for Piano and Orchestra op. 56 (Soloist: Newton Wood); Georges Auric: 1) Fontaine de Jouvence — Suite, 2) Malborough s'en-va-t-en guerre — Ballet Music. (R). 2.30 Close Down.

4.00 Request Programme, by Y. Rosen. 4.30 Oriental Tunes. 5.05 Farmers' Corner. 5.15 Children's Corner. 5.30 Youth Corner. 7.15 "We Present Tonight." 7.15 "Bon-Anni." 7.40 Wells of Work. 8.00 "Curtain Up." 8.45 Interlude. 8.55 Bible Reading: Samuel II — Cap. 13. 9.15 Newsreel. 9.30 The Boston Promenade Orchestra. 10.00 Short Story. 10.15 "Chamber Music," presented by Lorand Fenyves — Violin, Alice Fenyves — Viola, and Telma Yellin — Cello: Leo Weiner: Trio in E-minor op. 6. 11.10 Light Music. 11.45 Prayers from Dormeion Church. 12.00 Close Down.

**SECOND PROGRAMME**
**497, 460, 225, 43.9 & 33.3 M.**
**News: English:** 10.00 p.m.

**IMMIGRANTS' HOUR** (33.3 43.9 & 460 M.): 1.45 p.m. "Bright and Light." 2.15 Close Down.

5.30 p.m. Programme for Yemenites. 5.45 Hebrew Lesson for Olpanim. 6.00 Popular concert. 7.00 Yiddish. 7.20 Ladino. 8.00 News in Easy Hebrew. 8.15 Magrabit. 8.30 Rumanian. 8.45 Hungarian. 9.00 Interval. 9.30 French. 10.30 Close Down.

**KOL ZION LAGOLA** (33.3 M.): **Programme to South Africa.** 6.25 News. 6.35 Newsreel. 6.45 Songs of Mattityahu Shelem. 8.55 Yiddish Programme. 7.05 News in Yiddish.

**Programme to U.K.** 11.30 News. 11.40 Newsreel. 11.50 Songs of Mattityahu Shelem. 12.00 a.m. Easy Hebrew Conversation, by Judah Shoval.

**ARMY PROGRAMME** (44.6, 216, 225 and 320 M.): 6.00 Openings. 6.05 Requests for Hebrew Songs. 6.30 Marching Tunes. 7.00 News. 7.10 Weekly Symphony Concert. Works by Smetana, Lavry, Mussorsky-Ravel. 8.00 What's going on in the Army. 8.15 Light Music. 8.30 Songs. 9.00 News. 9.15 Dance Music. 10.00 Close Down.

**B.B.C. HEBREW BROADCAST:** (16.78, 19.43, 16.96 and 25.15 M.): 6.50-7.00 p.m. News. News Talk. Echoes from the World.


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## Dr. Wallach 'A Living Legend'

By MACABEE KASKIN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

**Honorary Doctorate** is presented yesterday to Dr. Moshe Wallach, on the occasion of his 90th birthday, by Warzberg University (Germany) from which he was graduated. Presentation is made by Dr. Walter Wallenstein, surgeon at Sha'arei Zedek Hospital, Jerusalem, which Dr. Wallach founded. Photo by Rubinger

In 1891, five years before Herzl wrote the "Judenstaat" and launched modern political Zionism, a young doctor, fresh from a German medical school, settled in Jerusalem.

Today, Dr. Moshe Wallach is celebrating his 90th birthday. Sha'arei Zedek Hospital which he headed from 1902 until 1947, will be the recipient of scores of heartfelt congratulations from three generations of Jerusalemites and from many others, both here and abroad, who have been treated at the hospital.

If past birthdays are any criteria of the present, Dr. Wallach will spend it working. Since he first took up the practice of medicine 65 years ago in superstitious-ridden Jerusalem — a city of 40,000 persons, 35,000 of whom were Jews — he has become a living legend. The hospital has met the test of three regimes: Turkish, British, and Israel.

To the Orthodox, his piety and uncompromising orthodoxy; to his medical colleagues, his ability to keep abreast of, and introduce, the latest scientific advances, has been a source of admiration; to the nurses, most of whom were trained in the hospital's Nurses School founded in 1936, he has assumed the stature of a patriarch, stern but just; and to the sick, his zeal and "open door" policy — admitting Jews, Christians and Moslems impartially — has been a blessing.

#### Hospital Discipline

It is to the latter two — the nurses and patients — to whom one must go in order to find out about the man, for he is reluctant to talk about himself. Both agree that he "worked from dawn to dawn, cat-napping in a chair whenever he had a chance."

Moreover, he ran the hospital like a Prussian drillmaster, imposing the strictest of regimes upon himself, and demanding as much from others. Until he retired from the direct — but not indirect — management of the hospital in 1947, he was director, chief physician, house doctor, supervisor of *kashrut*, doorkeeper and guard. There was no part of the hospital which he did not know better than the person in charge.

"He has a housewife's eye for finding an infinitesimal speck of dust," one nurse complains ruefully.

Dr. Wallach personally made up the nurses' duty roster. He demanded that they perform their work with nun-like devotion, having no other thoughts than to serve the sick. On Saturdays he would not let them leave the hospital grounds lest they break some religious precept. However, he let them walk around in the hospital garden.

His stern methods were interpreted by many as dictatorial, by others as patriarchial. But all the nurses agreed that if they suffered a bit, the hospital — and the patients — benefited greatly.

The nurses tell of a woman who came from Haifa to visit her husband who had just undergone an operation. Arriving after visiting hours, wracked by worry about her husband, she tearfully approached the gatekeeper and asked to be admitted despite the visiting rules of that "crazy Dr. Wallach."

The man on temporary duty at the gate happened to be Dr. Wallach.

He quickly and silently broke his own rules. He took the terrified woman to see her husband standing guard outside the ward door to warn her of the approach of the "crazy Dr. Wallach." After five minutes had elapsed, he hustled her down to the hospital gate, constantly glancing over his shoulder. Unfortunately, they ran into the real gatekeeper who greeted him as "Dr. Wallach." This resulted in another patient for Sha'arei Zedek: the woman fainted.

Born in Muenster, Germany, into a deeply religious family which later moved to Cologne, Dr. Wallach received his early education from Rabbi Ze'ev Wolf.

He was sent to Jerusalem by the Frankfurt-Amsterdam Committee of Jewish Friends for Palestine to study hygienic conditions in the country. To supplement existing medical facilities, Rabbi Shmuel Salant, and others, established a Committee for the Sha'arei Zedek General Jewish Hospital. Dr. Wallach was chosen to head it. The hospital, which took six years to build, opened in 1902 on the outskirts of the city.

The greatest problem facing the hospital was finding, or training, an adequate staff of nurses. In 1916, salvation came in the form of Nurse Selma Mayer, known for the past 40 years as "Schwester Selma." For she has been as tireless in her duties as Dr. Wallach.

Today, 19 doctors care for the 148 patients in the hospital's six wards and they treat 100 out-patients daily. Every year, 1,800 babies are born in its maternity ward.

Sha'arei Zedek was the first, and is still the only hospital in Jerusalem, with an Isolation Ward. It accepts every case of infectious disease, including polio.

#### New Buildings

The hospital, now headed by Dr. Falk Schlesinger, is in the midst of an expansion programme. At present, two additional buildings are under construction, and large-scale renovations are being carried out.

It costs an average of IL17 a day to care for each patient. The Government pays half of this in cases of polio and contagious diseases, and ten per cent for social welfare cases. The balance must be raised by the hospital.

To raise these funds and to expand the hospital to meet the needs of a constantly growing population, is the aim of the hospital staff. This is the birthday gift they hope to present to Dr. Wallach.

### Wallach Feted In Jerusalem

Hundreds of Jerusalem residents gathered at Jerusalem's Kings Hotel yesterday afternoon to honour Dr. Moshe Wallach, founder of the Sha'arei Zedek Hospital, on his 90th birthday.

Hospital nurses greeted the guests who included Chief Rabbis Y. Herzog and Y. Nissim, Ministers and Knesset Members; the Jerusalem Mayor, Mr. Gershon Agron; Municipal Councillors, physicians and public figures, many now retired.

A message of greeting was sent by the President, Mr. I. Ben-Zvi.

At the reception given by the Sha'arei Zedek staff to mark the occasion, Prof. E. Wertheimer, Dean of the Hebrew University-Hadassah Medical School, presented Dr. Wallach with an illuminated address conveying the congratulations of the Medical School and expressing deep appreciation of Dr. Wallach's "great work for the health of Israel's population and of medicine in Israel generally."

The address is signed by the President of the Hebrew University, Prof. B. Mazar; Prof. Wertheimer; the Director of the Hadassah Medical Organization, Dr. K. J. Mann; the professors of the Faculty; and the Associate Dean, Dr. M. Prywes. In glowing terms it describes Dr. Wallach as a pioneer who immigrated to Jerusalem generations ago and who, ever since his arrival here, dedicated himself to the task of healing, building a hospital and himself ready at all times to come to the aid of the sick.

## Where to go

**JERUSALEM**

• **Exhibitions:—**
Permanent exhibition at the Department of Antiquities, 25 Rehov Shlomo Hamelekh. New rooms: Prehistory and Israelite period. Educational exhibit: How to arrange small local collections. Special exhibit: Finds from excavations in Jerusalem. 9-1, 2-6. (Fridays and eves of holidays 9-1; Saturdays and holidays, 10-1.)
Conquest of the Desert, Permanent Exhibition. Daily from 10-1 4-6. On Friday from 10-1 only, closed on Saturday.
Collective Exhibition of Paintings by Bacon, Gali, Schreter, Sima, Singer, Steinhardt, Silver, work by D.H. Gumbel. Nora Art Gallery, 9 Maimon Ave., 10-1, 3-6.
1) German Expressionist School. Selected Prints. 2) Iranian Ceramics 1500 B.C.—1500 A.D. 3) 20th Century Italian Artists. 4) Lithographs by Honoré Daumier. Exhibit of the Month, Door of an Imámzáda (Shi'ite Shrine) Perais, Ispahan, 1293 A.D. (693 A.H.) Bezalel. 9-1, 2-5. 1) "The Bible as seen by Israeli Children": 2) Drawings by Japanese Children: 3) Wall Reliefs in various metals, by Bezalel Schatz, which will be installed in the new s.s. Herzl. (These will be shown only till December 22). 4) "Maskit" Applied Arts and Crafts, Artists House, 10-1, 3-6.
• **Symposium:—**
"The Lesson of Sinai," Knesset Members Argov, Meridor and Hazan, Beit Hillel, Rehov Balfour, 8 p.m.
• **Concert:—**
Recorded concert: "Spiritualism," Morton Gould; "An American in Paris," Gershwin, Beit Ha'am, 7 p.m.
• **Music Circle:** —
Lecture and demonstration by Mr. Yosef Tal on his work "The Third Concert for Piano, Tenor and Orchestra," Beeri Club, 9 Alharizi, 8.30.
• **Tours:** —
Hebrew University conducted tour Call 4253, 4077.
• **Christmas Eve Service:** — United Carol Service, Y.M.C.A. 8 p.m. Public welcome.
• **Revue:** —
Redley's Ice Revue, New Hapoel Hall, Rehov Straus. 6.30 and 8.30.

**TEL AVIV**

Italian specialities, lunch, dinner music, Luky's Bar, 3 Allenby Rd. Air conditioned.
• **Exhibitions:** —
1) Oil Paintings by Sima Baram and Bela Brisel (Paris). 2) Contemporary Dutch Graphic Art. Mus. 10-1, 4-7.
• **Jazz Club:** —
Z.O.A. House, 8 p.m.
• **Theatre:** —
Cameri, "An Everyday Occurrence," Mograbi Hall, 8.
Ohel, "5:5," 5 for youth, 8.

**BEERSHEBA**

• **Theatre:** —
Habimah, "A View from the Bridge," 8.

**RISHON LE-ZION**

• **Theatre:**—
Do-Re-Mi, Pajama Game, 8. Matinee at 2.30: Heidi.

**ZICHRON YA'ACOV**

• **Theatre:**—
Ohel, "It's Never Too Late."


**Notice to the Public**

Passes, giving persons the privilege of travelling free or at reduced fare, or the right to board buses without queueing, which are due to expire on Dec. 31, 1956, will remain valid until Jan. 31, 1957.

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## Think RAF Man Fled to USSR

LONDON, Sunday (Reuter). — Whitehall intelligence chiefs have been analysing reports on the mysterious disappearance of Flying Officer Anthony Maynard Wright after flying to Berlin in a civil airliner on December 3.

The Air Ministry announced last night that the 22-year-old officer who had been absent without leave from his unit since December 9 had been interviewed about contacts with Soviet representatives in Britain.

It is understood that widespread inquiries in Britain and Germany have been made by Scotland Yard's Special Branch, the corps of detectives who specialise in political crime.

The London "Evening News" said that Special Branch men with secret contacts in East Europe had been asked to determine whether Wright has travelled to Moscow. The newspaper added that no trace had been found of Wright's movements after arriving at Tempelhof Airport from London.

The "Evening Standard" quoted an Air Ministry spokesman as saying all the available evidence pointed to the likelihood of the officer having gone to East Europe.

Friday night's Air Ministry announcement said Wright had twice been interviewed about his contacts and interests, because of his contact with Soviet representatives in Britain. "It was not felt necessary to place any special restriction on the movements of this young and inexperienced officer," the Air Ministry said.

#### Grounded by Doctors

Wright, who had been in the Royal Air Force since 1953, was suspended earlier this year from flying duties for medical reasons. Inquiries about his whereabouts began when he failed to arrive at his unit after telephoning that he was unable to attend an eye examination because of illness.

The Foreign Office informed the British Embassy in Moscow "some days ago" that Wright might be on his way to the Soviet Union, informed sources said today. This source said that Whitehall still did not know Wright's ultimate destination or his movements after his arrival in Berlin.

Officials agreed that it would be normal for the British Embassy in Moscow to be informed if there were any likelihood of Wright travelling there.

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## Honved Eliminated From Europe Cup

BRUSSELS, Sunday (Reuter) — Atletico of Bilbao qualified to meet Manchester United in the quarterfinals of the European soccer cup, by drawing 3-3 with Honved (Hungary) here Thursday night. The teams were level 1-1 at halftime. Bilbao won the first leg 3-2 in Spain, and advance to the quarterfinal on a better aggregate. A crowd of about 50,000 in the vast Heysel Stadium stood for a minute in silence as tribute to the dead of the Hungarian uprising as the teams took the field.

Bilbao were first to attack and after only two minutes, inside left Mariocio put them a goal ahead. Four minutes later, Honved equalized through outside right Budai, who sent home a header from a pass by Puskas.

Arietta, the Spanish centre-forward had the ball in the net two minutes after the interval, only to have the goal disallowed for offside. Ten minutes later Farago, the Hungarian goalkeeper, was hit in the eye with a hard shot from Mariocio and had to leave the field.

This was a tragedy for Honved, and before Farago could take the field again Bilbao had scored twice more. Inside Right Maicaide put them 3-1 up in the 65th minute and Meridio scored their third, 4 minutes later.

Farago's return sparked off a great Honved rally. The Hungarians pulled back a goal through Budai in the 80th minute and in the final minute of the game Furene Puskas scored the equaliser from a corner.

## Cinemas

**JERUSALEM**
At 3.30, 6.30 and 8.30 p.m.
**ARNON:** Walk Proud the Land.
**EDEN:** Anna Karenina.
**EDISON:** Moby Dick, 6th week.
**ORGIL:** "Le Chanoeur."
**ORION:** The Eddy Duchin Story, 2nd week.
**ORNA:** Bus Stop, 2nd week.
**RON:** La Provinciale.
**STUDIO:** Portrait of Jennie.
**TEL OR:** Flat Top.
**ZION HALL:** "Les Heros Sont Fatigues."

**TEL AVIV**
At 3.30 7.15 and 9.15 p.m.
**ALLENBY:** 23 Paces to Baker Street.
**ARMON DAVID:** "Le Dossier Noir."
**CHEN:** Autumn Leaves.
**EDEN:** Terror, 3rd week.
**ESTREE:** Viva Las Vegas.
**HAMERCAZ:** Those who Dare, 2nd week.
**MIGDALOR:** Adam and Evelyn, 3rd week.
**MOGRABI:** The Big Knife.
**OPHIR:** "Papa, Maman, ma Femme et Moi," 3rd week.
**ORION:** The Man with The Golden Arm.
**SHDEROTH:** The Night is My Kingdom. Matinee: Ali Baba.
**TCHELET:** Cockleshell Heroes.
**YARON:** We're No Angels, 2nd week.
**ZAMIR:** "Cuore Ingrato," 18th week.

**HAIFA**
**MAY:** Mr. Roberts.
**ORION:** "L'Etoile Do Rio," 2nd week.
**ATZMON:** Guys and Dolls, 3rd week.
**PEER:** Young Lovers, 2nd week. Matinee: Hans Christian Anderson.
**GAL OR:** Tom Tom, 2nd week. Matinee: Toughest Man From Arizona.
**AMPHITHEATER:** Bigger than Life.
**ORAN:** Rock Around the Clock 2nd week.
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| 3½% Gov. Bds. (large) | 101 |
| Pal. Bonds Bds. Ser. 3 | 99 |
| 3½% Tuval Bonds 52 (r) | 78 |
| 4 % Reg. Sterling "A" | 87½ |
| Pal. Elec. prof. sh. (Lzh | 103 |
| 6½% Bonds 57/62 (r) | 105 |
| ditto (r) | 105½ |
| Keren Hayesod 6½ % Deb. 52/65 (r) | 99½ |
| ditto (r) | 99½ |
| Ygrath Ltd. 6½ % Deb. 52/65 (r) | 102 |
| Bk. Leumi ord. sh. | 149 |
| Beaver Services Cert. | 98 |
| A.P.M. Investment. ord. sh. "B" reg. | 78 |
| Gasit ord. sh. "B" reg. | 103½ |
| Elbaz's Inv. ord. | 94½ |
| P.E.C. Inv. ord. "B" reg | 144 |
| Gen. Mortg. Bk. ord. sh. | 97½ |
| Discr 4% debs. 52/62 | 70 |
| Mtg 5% prof. sh. | 79 |
| Pass 4% debs. 53/64 reg. | 77½ |
| "Pass" 5% debs. | 82 |
| Afr. Pal Inv. ord. sh. | 89 |
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| 5% debs. | 79½ |
| Ratson 6% prof. ord. sh. | 103 |
| Ata ord. "B" sh. | 103 |
| 5-9% con. debs. | 81 |
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| 7% con. debs. 55/62 | 75 |
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| Assis Rajarana "B" sh. | 100½ |
| Mashav 6% debs. "A" | 113½ |
| Pal. Potash "A" ord. sh. | 78 |
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The Ramat Hanegev Mobile Postal Service, with its base in Beersheba, will begin operations on December 25, 1956.

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| Lydda Airport | 65 | 7 | 19 | 21 |
| Jerusalem | 69 | 5 | 15 | 15 |
| Beersheba | 65 | 7 | 17 | 20 |
| Eilat | 89 | 7 | 21 | 23 |
| Sdom | 82 | 10 | 18 | 21 |
| Sinai | — | — | — | 25 |

*A) Humidity at 8 p.m. B) Minimum temp. C) Maximum yesterday. D) Maximum temp. expected today.

**RAINFALL FIGURES**

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|---|---|---|
| Jerusalem | 4.5 | 119.5 |
| Tel Aviv Port | 38.5 | 138.9 |
| Tel Aviv Kirya | 41.0 | 149.1 |
| Haifa | 3.3 | 67.5 |
| Acre | 6.5 | 67.7 |
| Beersheba | 1.4 | 71.5 |
| Ramatayim | 7.7 | 98.4 |
| Lydda | 8.5 | 114.6 |
| Rehovot | 7.3 | 91.1 |
| Kiryat Ono | 12.5 | 139.7 |
| Ashkelon | 1.1 | 100.9 |
| Masna | 1.5 | 102.6 |
| Mt. Canaan | 4.3 | 145.0 |
| Nazareth | 16.9 | 174.1 |
| Ramat David | 5.5 | 109.4 |
| Mishmar Hasmak | 8.3 | 128.4 |
| Afula | 7.8 | 82.9 |
| Tiberias | 14.7 | 105.3 |
| Eilat | 0.3 | 1.1 |
| Mishmar Hanegev | 5.6 | 98.1 |
| Gaza | 36.0 | 105.1 |

* Amount in mm. on December 21 till 8 p.m.
** Total in mm. since August 1, 1956.

**Special Weather Report from TIBERIAS**
Air (sun) 23°
Air (shade) 27°
Lake — 18°
Communicated by the
Galei Kinneroth Hotel

2,600 TONS of hard wheat for macaroni production, to be exported to Sicily, are being loaded in the s.s. Siculo in Haifa Port.

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JERUSALEM DOG-OWNERS are asked to bring pets who have not been inoculated against rabies to the Municipality Building, Rehov Jaffa, tomorrow, between 10 and 12 noon, for inoculation.

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YITZHAK SEGAL, 25, a Port worker, was killed yesterday while unloading wood from the s.s. Modesta. A load of wood had pressed him against the wall of a store and all the efforts of his friends to free him failed. He leaves a wife and child.

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SEVEN CLUBS for soldiers on leave have been established in the Gaza Strip by the Soldiers Welfare Committee.

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HOLDERS of driving licences for the central Tel Aviv district are not allowed to drive within the confines of Hadera, their licence-area ending at Kilometre 79 of the Tel Aviv-Haifa road, the Ministry of Transport has announced.

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CHIEF MAGISTRATE Zion Aloof has been appointed to administer the Court of Justice in the Gaza Strip. Mr Haim Haimsoh, Director of the Ashkelon Post Office, was appointed temporarily as head of the postal services there.

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1,000 HEAD of beef cattle arrived from Turkey during the past few weeks and are now in the Ministry of Agriculture Quarantine Station in Haifa.

# S.S. Haifa Brings 18,700 Tons of Oil on First Trip

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER, Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA, Sunday. — Israel's largest ship, the 18,700-ton oil tanker s.s. Haifa, tied up in her home port for the first time this morning, ten months after taking to the sea. She brought a cargo of 18,700 tons of fuel.

Unloading of the fuel began immediately. The ship will sail again tomorrow to bring another cargo of fuel. She makes 16 knots. She is equipped with giant pumps by means of which she can load or discharge fuel at the rate of 1,800 tons an hour, which cuts down her port time to about a day either way.

When the ship was commissioned in a German shipyard last February, her owners, the Zim Company, approached the Delek Fuel Company for work for the tanker. However, Delek was already tied up with long-term oil hauling contracts with other companies. Foreign companies also refused to use her because of the Arab boycott of Israel.

The ship was then put into service carrying bulk wheat cargoes from New Orleans to Holland and Belgium, for which she got excellent prices — even higher than the oil freight charges then current. She made five trips, carrying a total of 90,000 tons, and was to carry on until the end of January.

### Contract with Shell

Meanwhile, Zim signed a contract with the Shell Company chartering the "Haifa" for oil transport for that company for two years, starting next February. But, with the outbreak of the fuel crisis, the Government requisitioned the ship under the emergency regulations, and she was put into service carrying oil to Israel.

Because of the extremely short periods the ship stays in port, special conditions are enjoyed by her 42 man crew, under Captain "Steve" Ernandereno. The ship is fitted with a cinema, recreation halls, a swimming pool and a gymnasium. The crew also gets extra pay, but has little chance to spend anything, as they are at sea almost all of the time.

Mr. Zvi Yehieli of the Zim Management told the press aboard the ship today that the Company had intended to order two tankers, but had received Government approval only for the "Haifa," which cost $3.4m. Contracts have since been signed with a German shipyard for another three tankers of 19,500 tons each, the first for delivery in 1959. Zim was also considering ordering another tanker of 32,000 tons.

Dr. N. Wydra, also of Zim, said that the "Haifa" was one of the most modern tankers in the world, and despite her size had a small draught which enabled her to operate almost anywhere. She consumes 50 tons of fuel per day at sea.

THE CENTRAL Committee of the Histadrut which met in Tel Aviv yesterday decided to support the demand that three representatives of the Palestine Electric Corporation staff are to sit on an eight- or nine-man managing board of the company. A Histadrut delegation will attend the Polish Co-operative Movement's convention next month.

## More Hungarian, Egypt Refugees

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA, Sunday. — The s.s. Jerusalem arrived this morning with 1,023 passengers, including 624 immigrants.

Of the immigrants, 104 were Hungarian refugees; 36 were Jews expelled from Egypt; 16 came from South America, some of them to join kibbutzim here; 13 British youths came to join settlements, and two immigrants each came from Australia and Holland.

Half a dozen youths from South America also arrived to spend a year helping a border settlement. Some 40 tourists, mainly from France and Britain were among the passengers.

Some of the Hungarian refugees wore clothes given to them in Austria by the "U.S. Escapee Programme." They also carried travelling bags ostentatiously marked with that name.

Some disputes have occurred over the fate of the religious youths among the Hungarian immigrants. Last week seven of them were sent to the Yavneh settlement of Hapoel Hamizrahi.

A number of Natorei Karta zealots who had come to the port, looking for religious immigrants, attempted to stop the van taking the youth from the port. They shouted that the boys should go to *yeshivot* in Jerusalem, and that taking them to a Mizrahi settlement was no better than converting them. However, the determined driver managed to drive the van past the human barricade.

## Haifa Test Case On Overtime Pay

HAIFA, Sunday. — The Association of Male and Female Nurses, the Union of Government Employees in the Haifa Labour Council and the Employees Committee of Rambam Hospital have authorised the Council's legal adviser, Mr. Israel Gil, to file claims in court against the Minister of Health for overtime backpay, amounting to IL2m.

In 1951, a law on overtime pay was passed, stating that 50 per cent of the ordinary pay should be added for overtime worked on Shabbat. The Ministry of Health has not paid this sum to male and female nurses in Government services.

A test case has now been filed in the Haifa District Court on behalf of Mr. Haim Gerber, a male nurse in Rambam Hospital. The result will determine the rest of the claims on backpay and future overtime pay amounting to IL380,000 per year.

## Gov't Officials To Get Extra Third

By DAN SAVLY
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Beginning January, 1957, Government officials will be paid the remaining one third of the salary increases agreed upon last year, it was learned yesterday from Finance Ministry sources.

It will be recalled that it was decided to defer this portion of the increase in wages agreed upon at the end of 1955 following the report of the Guri Wages Committee, the professional workers' strike and the subsequent labour negotiations.

The sums under discussion will cost the Government approximately IL9-6m. extra every year. If, as it is now believed, all employees benefiting from the Histadrut-Manufacturers Association wage agreement will also receive the "frozen third," it will cost the economy as a whole more than IL30m. Government employees will be receiving a net increase, ranging from IL8 to IL35 a month.

The decision to pay the "frozen third," was made earlier this month by the economic ministers, who decided that keeping the Government's promise to its employees was essential to holding their goodwill. The added expenditure, though harmful to the economy at the present time, is unavoidable, Government sources emphasized.

### Histadrut Backed

Meanwhile, it is understood that Mr. Levi Eshkol, the Minister of Finance, and Mr. Pinhas Sapir, the Minister of Commerce and Industry, will not back the Manufacturers Association's opposition to the Histadrut demand for payment of the "frozen third." Without this backing, which the manufacturers had counted on, they will probably give in to the demands within a few weeks, when the overall contract covering 1957 wages is signed.

The repercussions to the economy resulting from the increased salaries cannot be exactly estimated. However, an increase of the cost-of-living index by at least three points is anticipated, while another effect might be added — difficulties in selling exports owing to higher production costs.

A more immediate problem to be solved will be the need of the manufacturers to finance the increment to their employees' salaries. Their present lack of credits is acute enough, and many factories will be faced with considerable hardship in raising the sums needed.

Agreement has been reached between the Union of Social Workers and representatives of local authorities that social workers employed by the smaller local authorities will receive the same salary increases given to those employed by the Government and the larger municipalities.

The Union had threatened to take measures if their claim was not met.

M. Pierre Mendes Chairman of the National Assembly's Defence Committee, seen arriving at Lydda Airport with Mme. Mendes.
Photo by Rubinger

## Montel Received By Haifa Mayor

HAIFA, Sunday. — M. Pierre Mendes, Chairman of the French National Assembly's Defence Committee, visited Haifa today and was received by Mayor Abba Khoushy in the Town Hall. M. Mendes, who is also a Deputy Mayor of Lyons, extended an invitation to Mr. Khoushy to visit the French manufacturing city next spring in time for the opening of a large industrial fair.

M. Mendes is to meet Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion on Wednesday.

## JNF to Set Up 23 Hill Villages

Jerusalem Post Bureau

Twenty three immigrant work villages will be established this year along the borders of the Galilee and Judean hill regions, according to a draft programme of the Jewish Agency's Hill Region Settlement Department, Mr. M. Kahanowitz, Director of the Department, told a press conference in Jerusalem yesterday.

Eight of the villages, with a total of 410 families, will be set up between Mevo'ot Beitar and Netiv Halamed Heh along the Jordan border and 15, with a total of 810 families, in Galilee, along the Lebanese border and around Safad and Nazareth. It is expected that the schemes will be initiated in March.

The IL15m. programme envisages the transformation of these villages into agricultural settlements within two to three years. During this time, the immigrants will be paid for work in soil preparation. The Labour Ministry will construct housing units and the Department will provide public services and organise the eventual agricultural settlement.

When the land has been made arable, each family will receive 12 to 20 dunams for fruit orchards, irrigated crops and for raising chicken, sheep and bees. Each farming unit costs IL20,000 including the cost of soil preparation.

Also to be established are three "village centres" to serve four or five neighbouring villages with a clinic, school, community centre, a garage, Hamashbir and Tnuva warehouses and other joint services.

The cost of the scheme for each family is IL13,900, Mr. Kahanowitz stated.

THE AFULA branch of the Bank Leumi is its sixty-eighth branch, not its sixty-seventh, as stated in this column yesterday.

## Evacuee Housing Said Gov't Problem

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The task of evacuating the 300 persons living in more than a score of condemned buildings in Jerusalem should be handled by the Government, Mr. Mordecai Zar (Mapai) said at last night's Municipal Council meeting.

Mr. Zar said that the job was too large for the city to handle without outside financial help. He noted that the city had not yet received a reply for its request for IL-100,000 from the Ministry of Interior for settling persons living in condemned buildings.

After the lengthy discussion on all phases of the problem, Mayor Gershon Agron summed up the problem by saying that the city would do its utmost for those to be evacuated. However, it would demand payment from those who had the means to pay for their rooms in hotels.

In addition, buildings condemned will be so marked, to prevent newcomers to the city from paying key money for apartments which they have to evacuate immediately.

The Council decided to rent another 18 rooms containing 86 beds in four hotels to provide temporary quarters for the evacuees.

The Council also adopted a by-law raising the "ceiling" of the business tax from IL-1,000 to IL2,000.

## IL380,000 Changes in Tel Aviv Budget

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — Changes in the Municipality's budget of IL380,000 were approved at the Council meeting tonight.

Increases were made for education, sanitation, the Zoo, and social welfare, at the expense of Development, Civil Defence and the Adleyada.

The Opposition parties voted against the changes, arguing that when demands for funds for urgent needs were made, the Council management said there was no money, and described the increases as a "coalition tax" given to its various departments.

The Zoo was again the subject of stormy discussion. Among the increases were IL50,000 to cover its deficit. Opposition members condemned the increase which stems from banning the sale of tickets on Saturday.

Also included were IL380,000 for the insurance of school children.

## Longer Civil Service Hours Seem Certain

TEL AVIV, Sunday.—Longer working hours for civil servants and employees of public institutions, as proposed in the Histadrut's new wage policy, are to be discussed between the trade unions and the employers.

Under the Histadrut proposal, beginning next month, civil servants will work 45 hours a week instead of 42½.

At present, civil servants work right through the day, except for Tuesdays when there is an hour's break. The Civil Service commissioner has proposed that with the addition of half an hour a day, a daily break of half an hour should be introduced.

The Civil Servants Union has continued to oppose the introduction of a break, declaring that its effect would be more wasteful and would not make for more efficiency.

Though the Histadrut's proposal of longer hours is understood to include teachers, a spokesman of the Teachers Union said today that it had not yet been approached on the question. But he declared that the union's stand on the question was "definitely negative."

Negotiations on longer hours are soon to be opened between the Clerks Union and the various public institutions, such as the municipalities, the Jewish Agency and the Histadrut. The negotiations will cover about 50,000 employees.

# 1,700 Pilgrims to Cross This Morning at Mandelbaum Gate

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Mandelbaum Gate was made ready yesterday in anticipation of today's crossing of 1,700 pilgrims. Most of the pilgrims are expected to cross this morning. The "gate" will open at 7 a.m.

Almost 300 pilgrims received their permits and one dinar in foreign exchange yesterday at the District Representative's Office, thus completing all formalities except those which must be taken care of at the last moment. These include a permit check and depositing all foreign currency.

To expedite the crossing, Jerusalem police have erected four large tents in Beder Shivtei Yisrael near Mandelbaum Square. They expect to process the pilgrims 25 to 40 per cent faster than last year, when queues were relatively short.

Members of the Jerusalem Counselor Corps are to meet this morning to take a final decision on crossing into Jordan on Christmas Eve. Last week, the Jordanians informed the Corps that Bethlehem Road, traditional route of the colourful Compline procession, would be closed.

The Corps met and decided not to cross over in a procession this year through the major alternative route, Mandelbaum Gate in protest against the closing of the traditional route. This morning's meeting is to decide whether to affirm this decision.

A suggestion which will probably be submitted to the meeting is that the crossing into Jordan take place at Government House which lies in the demilitarised Zone.

### Not Traditional Route

This road, of course, does not permit the consuls to follow the traditional route.

It is learned that the Jordanians banned Bethlehem Road for "military reasons."

The Jordanian press yesterday published a full list of the pilgrims crossing today.

Christmas Day flights by KLM and Air-France have been cancelled, and Swissair has advanced its scheduled flight by a day. The Swissair plane will arrive tomorrow morning and return the same day to Switzerland. The SAS plane will arrive tonight and remain here until Wednesday morning.

"Falastin," the Old City daily, reported that the Patriarch Alberto Gori will lead the procession from the Old City to Bethlehem.

Christmas prayers will begin at St. Catherine's Church, Bethlehem, at 5.30 p.m.

Jerusalem Churches will hold Christmas Eve services and Mass. St. Andrew's will have its traditional Open House at 10 p.m. tonight, while the United Carol Service starts at 8 p.m. at the Y.M.C.A.

U.N. staff and members of the Consular Corps will be among celebrants at a gala dinner to be held tomorrow night at the President Hotel where a decorated Christmas tree has been put up. Dancing will go on until dawn and the members of the Radley's Ice Revue troupe will perform.

## Rev. Hull Shunned By Colleagues

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Organisers of this year's Y.M.C.A. United Carol Service, the annual Christmas Eve devotional meeting of the Protestant community of Jerusalem have not invited the Rev. William H. Hull to participate. Rev. Hull directs the Slon Christian Mission, and is the author of "The Full and Plan of Israel," a geopolitic account of the State's history and re-birth.

The acting taken by the Protestant Ministers of Jerusalem in barring Rev. Hull from the "United" service stems from the Christmas message he gave at last year's Service.

In that message he appealed to the Christians of the world to come to the aid of the State of Israel. He invoked the Christian nations to practise a practical Christianity by not permitting the reconstruction and rehabilitation of Israel to be sacrificed for political expediency.

Following the Service some members of the Christian community of Jerusalem voiced their protests to Rev. Hull, while a number of his colleagues have since avoided him.

A suggestion which will probably be submitted to the meeting is that the crossing into Jordan take place at Government House which lies in the demilitarised Zone.

Rev. Hull will broadcast his Christmas message this year at 2.30 p.m. tomorrow, over Kol Yisrael.

A new book of his, "Israel: Key to Prophecy," will appear next month.

## Woman Declared Dead 'Comes Back to Life'

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HADERA, Sunday. — A 68-year-old woman, declared dead by a local doctor on Friday morning, awoke several hours later from the deep coma into which she had fallen.

Mrs. Fania Schoenwetzel, a widow, was found apparently lifeless on Friday by the people with whom she boards. A doctor who examined her found no evidence of heartbeat or pulse and declared her dead.

Six hours later she awakened.

It is understood that Mrs. Schoenwetzel chronically suffered from prolonged fainting spells, a fact which was well-known by Hadera health authorities, where she lived formerly. Recently, she had been placed by the Ministry of Social Welfare with a Pardess Hanna family which was unaware of her handicap.

SHORT SALES ranging from 0.4 to two per cent were found in 48 out of 73 fuel stations checked, of which 19 short-sell by over one per cent, the District Controller of Weights and Measures of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry said yesterday.

## Murdered Wife With Iron Bar

PETAH TIKVA, Sunday. — Shlomo Selim, 54, a resident of Amishav Ma'bara near here, got up at dawn this morning and murdered his wife with an iron bar.

The police report that Selim appeared at the Petah Tikva police station at 8 o'clock and declared that he had murdered his wife, Hala, 52, because she had been unfaithful to him for a long time. He told police that he had hit her several times on the head with a bar until she stopped breathing.

The police found the dead woman in bed soaked in blood.

The wife, an educated woman, was a teacher in Iraq. She worked in various factories here, while her husband spent most of his time in the ma'bara café, neighbours said. They had been married 16 years. There were no children.

## Work Speeded On Haifa Subway

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA, Sunday. — Work on the Haifa underground railway will be accelerated with the arrival of mechanical equipment which is now being put into operation.

Work started about 4 months ago, but was hampered by the fact that some equipment had not arrived, and also by the call-up of workers during the Sinai campaign. Progress should now be 6 to 7 metres of tunnel length per day. Since May, workers, under the supervision of two French experts from the Societé Dauphinoise d'Entreprises, Soul Beach and Municipal engineers are now on the job.

So far, 120 metres of tunnel have been dug in Ekstein Square downtown and near the Chinese Amoun on Hador Hacarmel. An approach tunnel of 40 metres has also been dug at the latter place, to avoid rigging up heavy Hador Hacarmel. The site for two railway stations has also been prepared. On Hador Hacarmel, the tunnel is 12 to 14 metres underground, and only 6 metres downtown.

Residents of houses above and near the excavations have become accustomed to the blast of underground explosions, which are also heard sometimes by shopping customers in Hador Hacarmel. No harm to the stability of nearby buildings is anticipated.

Work on the tunnel now goes on in two shifts from 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. It is hoped that the IL 7 million project will be finished on schedule — that is in about two to two and a half years.

## HAIFA BUSES TO RUN LATER

HAIFA, Sunday.— Egged bus services in the town will be extended by half an hour, until 11 p.m. from next Sunday, on orders of the Transport Ministry. The step was taken to provide transport home for cinema-goers who attend the last house, which now starts at 8.30 p.m.

Since the start of the final campaign the last performance had started at 8 p.m., and bus service was halted at 10.30 p.m. in order to save fuel. Last week, the cinema owners decided on later starting times as the 8 p.m. performance had been poorly attended.

The Ministry's decision will result in additional fuel consumption by Egged in Haifa. Egged will also have to reorganise its whole evening schedule to cope with the later cinema times.

On Wednesday and Thursday nights, when theatre performances and concerts are held in Haifa, the buses will stand by to take the audiences home.

ALBERT HAKOH, 28, of Beersheba, was sentenced by the Jerusalem District Court to one-and-a-half years imprisonment for breaking into the shop of Yitzhak Medina and stealing eight kilograms of coffee and 250 packets of cigarettes. Hakon is already serving a two-year sentence for similar crimes. (7 lines)

## Cables on Brief

BEIRUT. — Buses to carry 2 Christmas Eve Christmas pilgrims failed almost completely when only 70 persons were reported to have used them. Most of the pilgrims preferred their own cars, taxis or walked in the streets of Bethlehem.

CAIRO. — Six crewmen in Alexandria, England, were reported yesterday to be on a hunger strike in protest against the refusal of Christmas shore leave. The British authorities refused permission for the crewmen to go ashore, as they had been confined to their ships for the past two weeks.

ATHENS. — Thirty-four members of the Hungarian Olympic team who decided not to return home after the Games, left Melbourne by air for the U.S. yesterday. They were accompanied by four members of the Rumanian team who had also refused to go home.

PAASKIVI. — Fourteen countries were represented in Helsinki yesterday at the funeral of Dr. Juho Paasikivi, President of Finland from 1946 to 1956 who died of heart failure on December 14.

TUNISIA. — Kashmir's first all-weather link with India was established yesterday when the Indian Vice-President, Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan, declared open the six-mile long Banihal Tunnel, the longest in Asia.

KILLED. — Two crew members and one passenger, a Yugoslav diplomat, were killed on Saturday night when a twin-engined Yugoslav passenger plane made a forced landing near Munich. It was coming from Belgrade and was due to land at Munich before going on to Paris.

## Course for Production Council Members at "Cargal"

A special course preparing members to serve on the Joint Production Council was opened at the Cargal factory yesterday, Dec. 23. This is the first course of its kind to be conducted and financed by a private enterprise.

The course will last three weeks. Lectures (3 hours a day) will be conducted at the factory. Fifteen workers who have been selected by the workers and seven representatives of the management will participate.

The course is intended to teach a fundamental knowledge of the various aspects of productivity. The Institute of Productivity will provide lecturers.

Three hundred workers are employed by Cargal in the manufacture of corrugated cardboard containers and other packing material.

The decision to set up the Joint Production Council was made before the Sinai Campaign, but was postponed due to circumstances.

(Communicated)

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NO effort in preventive medicine can succeed unless it is backed by the united efforts of a properly guided public.

A NATIONAL EFFORT

This fact is important to remember as D-Day draws near for the greatest national project yet undertaken in this field of preventive medicine in the State of Israel.

Starting next week a systematic attempt is to be made to inoculate every child in the country between the ages of six months and three years against infantile paralysis. This scourge has taken a dreadful toll of Israel's children during recent years and now, at last, a determined attempt will be made to reduce its incidence to manageable proportions and it is hoped to make it as rare as diphtheria is today. This latter disease was also once a menace to child health and is now almost completely eradicated in most modern countries.

Polio is, however, a much more dreadful disease for its effects may last through life and not only grotesquely mar the unfortunate victims who live to survive an attack but bring a heavy burden of grief and constant care to the family and the community. The frustration and impotency one feels to do anything much to help the stricken child who is often made a deformed cripple, are one of the saddest challenges to the skill of the medical profession.

The Ministry of Health has now made its plans to inoculate 128,000 children in the age groups mentioned. Since each child will have to have two injections this will mean that one quarter of a million will have to be given within the brief period of the campaign by the teams which are being organized. This will be a formidable enough task in itself and it will not succeed unless there is the maximum of public information and co-operation.

The Ministry promises every kind of mass information aid to make the public co-operate in bringing the children to the stations when called upon with all the necessary data and documents, for every case will have to be properly followed up after the actual course of injections. But the very best medium must be the personal and unofficial one. Every mother who becomes aware of the campaign must persuade her neighbours to co-operate and take the trouble to see that they do so. It will be necessary for every socially conscious citizen to act as a self-appointed public relations officer in the matter. This is the biggest effort of its kind ever undertaken by the State of Israel and if it can be made to go with the maximum smoothness and success it might well blaze the trail for other national campaigns in the field of public health which only an aroused, vigorous and informed public can carry to success.

The reason why the age group of six months to three years has been chosen is that this is the one in which the incidence of the disease is the greatest and therefore the most vulnerable in the coming summer.

There are, however, good prospects that enough of the vaccine will be available by the time the campaign gets under way to put upon the market sufficient tested material to enable any parents who wish to have their child inoculated properly immunized. The results of the tests being made in the U.S. and Denmark of the Israel-produced serum should be at hand very soon. There will then be sufficient serum for everyone and plans are being considered for its distribution through public and public and private medical agencies at a minimum cost.

The Ministry of Health is to be congratulated on the energy with which it has planned this campaign and the energetic steps it is taking to bring home to the public the importance of full participation in the effort. It is now up to the citizens of Israel to show their self-organized response.

# Nasser's Nazi Experts Efficient

## Called Jews Thought Israel Foundering

By DINA MONET

THOSE Jews who were the citizens of foreign countries could, at least, obtain the foreign visas enabling them to leave Egypt when they were expelled. Others were stateless, and theirs is perhaps a worse tragedy.

The stateless are, for the most part, descendants of families who have lived in Egypt for many centuries but were neither rich enough nor sufficiently informed to acquire foreign or Egyptian citizenship while the going was good.

Until the turn of the century, there was no birth records office in Egypt. When, with its increasing xenophobia, Egypt passed a naturalisation law requiring that to become Egyptian one had to prove that one's grandfather was born in Egypt, most of the Jews of *Haret el Yehud* could produce no such document, and had neither the means nor the contacts to bribe the competent authorities. They, together with various refugees from Eastern Europe, make up the stateless Jews, whose plight is the worst. They are deprived of their livelihood, expelled or interned, and have no place to go. Foreign consulates will not give them visas, and no Jewish institution can establish contact with them. It is these whom the Red Cross is attempting to help: those who manage to wangle a transit visa to some European port were given a laissez-passer with "Jew" stamped on it. They further had to sign that they were leaving Egypt voluntarily, had no claims on it, and would never return. They left with one or two suitcases of worn clothes, and customs officials saw to it that no brand new clothes that might be sold abroad were in their luggage. Others are stranded in Egypt, cut off from the outside world, without any means of support, since, in most cases, their property has been confiscated and they are not permitted to work.

### Egyptian Citizens

Only about 5,000 Jews have Egyptian passports in good order. From reports trickling into Israel they are, at present, a little less badly off than the others. But their plight is far from enviable since they can be deprived of their citizenship and their jobs and interned at a moment's notice. Since they are formally Egyptian, the International Red Cross cannot help them either.

When a delegation of the Association of Egyptian Jews in Israel went to visit Mr. Ben-Gurion, he stressed particularly that those who were already settled in Israel should never reproach the newcomer for not having arrived sooner, never remind them, when they complained of their difficulties, that they should have come a couple of years ago. For Egypt's Jews have been cut off for years from any undistorted information about Israel.

According to reports received by the Association of Egyptian Jews here, the great majority of expellees now in European ports (there are about 2,000 in Brindisi alone) are afraid to come to Israel. This is so partly because they are in a state of shock at the suddenness of the blow that destroyed their lives, but partly because they have a completely distorted picture of Israel.

Egypt's Jews knew what enormous sums Nasser had spent on building up his army, what equipment he had [illegible] and they [illegible] armies would smash Israel, that Israel was starving, that [illegible] Tel Aviv and blew up homes, and that we lived in a constant state of terror and rebellion. Secretariat at the start, they smiled up believing this propaganda since they had no other source of information to correct or counteract it. And if suffering, terror and death were facing them in Israel anyway, they might as well endure them in their own homes in Egypt.

When, owing to the Anglo-French bombardments, Radio Cairo did not function for a couple of days and people fearfully tuned in on Kol Yisrael's French news broadcast, they did not believe that we had really occupied the whole of Sinai. "We thought you lied, or at least exaggerated," as the Arabs do," they explained. In Europe, many of those now arriving were astounded to learn that Tel Aviv had not been reduced to shambles.

Nasser may not be a great military genius, but he employed Nazi experts, masters at distorting a true fact into perfectly credible lies. Not surprisingly, racial prejudice was one of the themes most harped upon. What we in Israel wrote about cases of discrimination against Oriental Jews or the difficulties that confronted them in integrating here was carefully studied in Cairo and used to poison the minds not only of Egyptian Jews but also of new arrivals here and prospective immigrants in North Africa. Even educated Jews who travelled to Europe and had more objective sources of information would say that in Israel Sephardic Jews had been dumped in tents that were washed away by the rains or exiled to "the waste lands" of the Negev. They concluded that "Israel was not a country for Sephardic Jews."

This is the third of a series of articles on the Jews of Egypt. The first two appeared on December 11 and 21.

## The Pipeline

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# Egyptian Commander Sent Men to Death

*The writer, author of numerous treatises and popularized books on modern war, has just returned to the U.S. from a visit to Israel.*

By S. L. A. MARSHALL

BRIGADIER seem to never old men pass the hour when it is first light there is still time to repeat the costly mistake at Abu Ageila, the most shocking incident of the Sinai Campaign.

It was of Egyptian making solely, it seems tragedy building upon the foul mistake of one commander.

He was not known even to his officers, having freshly arrived during the battle crisis.

But whether from ignorance or prideful folly, he doomed his command to the most agonizing of deaths after they had survived Israel fire. For two days that fire beat against their ground.

Running north from Abu Ageila toward El Arish and expanding beyond the horizon is a broad sea of sand dunes.

So expansive is this billowing sand, so awesome and treacherous its mass and so well does it cover the three fortified hills that nothing may come against Abu Ageila from the north.

Tanks, halftracks and jeeps cannot enter the dunes. Rifle pits could not be dug there. Men cannot march there but may only reel across the surface.

There is not one shrub nor a handhold. So military forces, however mobile, can get at Abu Ageila only by attacking head-on from the eastward or by a wide outflanking movement from the south.

The Abu Ageila ridges were fortified toward these two directions and that perforce was how the Israel movement against them developed.

Israel armour came up from the South and got on the Egyptian flank, but it was too lightly gunned for the knock-out blow.

So for two full days Abu Ageila was a drawn fight while elsewhere the Sinai battle raged.

The Israelis couldn't get in and the Egyptians couldn't get out — or so it seemed.

But at the last moment, just before Israel tanks cut the road at Abu Ageila, the new Egyptian commander arrived to lead the defence of the hedgehog. That was Tuesday night.

Through Wednesday and Thursday sharp resistance continued along the ridges and the Israelis did not close in.

On Thursday night the Egyptian made his ghastly decision. He told his garrison that it was now "every man for himself."

He said all hands should try to escape by breaking away northward across the sea of sand. They should strike for El Arish, 70 kilometres away. They obeyed.

Of the beginning of this mournful trek, the besieging Israelis knew nothing. It started under cover of darkness.

So that there would be no warning sign, the Egyptians made no attempt to spike guns, destroy stores or burn billets which were later captured whole. They got away silently.

When at last dawn came it was only the utter silence of the fortified ridges which bespoke that the bird had flown but to be snared.

It was too late to do anything about it even in the name of mercy. No vehicle could track after the Egyptians.

There was no way to follow what happened except as it could be seen from overhead by Israeli observers in light planes who witnessed the terrible results of this mad act as from an upper tier box.

They saw masses of men weaving around crazily as if drunk or stone blind.

They saw many of these men pitch face-forward onto the burning dunes, lie still and not rise again.

They saw Beduin forking along the fringes of this pitiful host to prey on those who fell or were too weak to resist. Some had tried to save their arms and rifles which are much prized by desert tribes.

Those who were murdered by the tribesmen for their trinkets and clothing were at least spared a worse death from thirst, madness and exhaustion.

Literally hundreds must have fallen victims either to sun or sand or to the long desert knives.

There were about 3,000 Egyptians in the brigade. Ultimately only about 700 of them were made prisoners.

There had been no route of escape to Egypt for any of the others. Their path, plight and plot must, in any case, go untreked. No man may explore that sandy waste to count the toll.

It would anyhow be useless for there is one kind thing only about these travelling dunes. Within a decent interval they bury deep whom they kill. That does not cheat the vultures, since the Sinai Desert knows only ravens.

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Productivity Problems — VIII

# Human Relations Come First

By GERDA LEVY

ASKED about the reasons for low efficiency in Israel one leading expert gave one which at first glance appears to have nothing to do with production: he had observed that people in Israel were not inclined to help their fellow-men as a matter of course, to make life and work more pleasant for them even when this could be done without exertion or inconvenience.

This sounds strange in a country which prides itself on its institutions of mutual help and boasts of collective settlements affording the ultimate solution to social problems. But whoever lives in this country and takes the trouble to remember of an evening the many jars which he has received during his working day, from small discourtesies in buses and shops to radios going full blast and countless small conflicts which could be avoided with a bit of care for the others' point of view, will begin to wonder whether there is not something in it is this hint.

Modern production is built on team-work and on the endeavour to make the workers comfortable in his job, to remove all the obstacles which hinder a good performance. This means much more than the provision of proper equipment, good lighting and ventilation, time-and-motion studies and so on.

### Interest Helps

A now famous experiment was conducted in the U.S. during a production drive. After having secured the co-operation of a working team a group of production engineers tried a number of experiments to increase output: one after another they changed the position of the workers, the light and the temperature in the room, and every other physical factor which could have a bearing on production. At every stage of the experiment the output rose. Then, without the workers' knowing it, all the physical factors were changed again so as to re-create the original environment. The result was startling: production rose again. This showed that the readiness of the workers to co-operate and their interest in the experiment counted at least as much as all the physical improvements.

This does not, of course, detract from the technical measures of the efficiency-drive for better conditions, tools and working methods. But it shows that human relations and arousing the interest of the workers are of supreme importance. And this can only come in a "pleasant" environment where everyone is used to giving the necessary help to others.

Another American experience also bears on this issue. In a war plant where production had to start without delay there was no time to figure out the working process in detail or to install an assembly line. The workers were therefore grouped in loose teams and left to work out the details of the factory processes themselves. Output was higher than at the conveyor belt. Initiative and interest, together with team-work, had accomplished as much as mechanical aids.

### No Ambition

Another underlying cause of low efficiency is found by thoughtful experts in the fact that the Jews had no part in Greek civilization, which is based on the developments of visual art. The genius of the Jews lay in words and ideas. Even if it be true that they remained far from agriculture and manual work because they were not allowed to engage in agriculture and the crafts under feudal regimes it cannot be denied that they bring industrial and agricultural tasks nothing of the tradition on which the West's industrialised civilization is built.

Another expert from abroad confessed to being puzzled by the complacency with which the Israeli takes it for granted that his economic performance is mediocre. How far such musings are based on sociological facts could be ascertained only by a comprehensive study. But they nevertheless afford much food for thought. What is more, they help to emphasize that the efficiency drive in Israel is much more than a technical undertaking. Its success depends in the last resort not only on technical training schemes which are, of course, necessary in every field, but on a comprehensive scheme of education.

There are no differences of opinion about the necessity of keeping up, broadening and strengthening compulsory elementary education. It is the base of every economic performance and of every higher and more detailed training scheme. There is agreement, too, that vocational training must be given an honoured place among a nation which has yet to acquire a tradition of skilled work. But there is a dangerous gap between our elementary school and our institutions of higher learning. We fail — and experts are very anxious to press this point — to provide for the training of men for the many jobs falling between benchwork and top management. That means not only foremen but laboratory analysts, good bookkeepers and so on.

There is a technical secondary school in Haifa, for example, which could turn out such workers but the training given there would gain much if another year could be added to it. The introduction of modern cost accounting, one of the pre-requisites of modern production, is held up at every step because there are not enough trained people to do the job. The training of a department for business administration at the Kaplan School in Jerusalem might help to fill one gap and everything must be done to develop it quickly and soundly.

Education and training must be concerned not only with imparting knowledge but with the student's general approach. There is no doubt, after all about the Israeli's general eagerness to learn and to study. Training courses are crowded, bookshops find it worth their while to stock efficiency literature of every sort, workers respond well to training schemes if these are handled with an understanding for human relations.

The efficiency drive depends, in addition to technical, organization and administrative knowledge, on human relations and human values. The money incentive, although powerful, is not all-powerful. Pride in a job well done, the spirit of teamwork, satisfaction in co-operation are at the bottom of modern industrial successes together with free scientific research, inventiveness and the drive to find something new and better at every stage. We can import modern equipment and even buy know-how. The use of both depends on our ability to build up a sound all-round education toward social and human values.

This is the last of eight articles. The others appeared on November 12, 16, 21 and 30 and December 7, 10 and 21.

# YESTERDAY'S PRESS — Profitability Principle

HABOKER (General Zionist) extends its heartiest congratulations to Davar (Histadrut) for discovering at long last, in the agricultural settlements, the existence of an economic factor known as "profitability" in discussing the problem of citrus growing and marketing.

When we used to argue that every economy must pay for itself, continues the paper, Davar's economic experts shouted that progressive Zionism did not speak of "profitability." Now that it is a recognized factor, how about the non-Histadrut economy. Before the heads of the Histadrut laid down their wage demands, they should have examined how long enterprises would be able to exist if they complied to them. The Ata case has shown that the principle of profitability cannot be applied to our industry. So, if the Histadrut persists and presses its demands, it will be necessary to raise the prices of commodities.

Ha'aretz (non-party) declares that the struggle over the Frozen Third of the c-o-l allowance, which has never been predicted by the Manufacturers Association but which the Histadrut pledged itself to obtain, has now begun. But the Trade Unions must realize once and for all that they cannot fight for basic salary increases and at the same time combat "efficiency dismissals" forced upon enterprises by those increases. The Histadrut undertaking that it will fight for the Third implies that it will approve of the strikes that are bound to break out to force the manufacturers to pay what they have never undertaken to give. The Government must make it clear to the Histadrut that it is not ready to support it either legally or economically.

Surveying the Sinai withdrawal and the growing movement to appease Nasser as part of world political developments, Hatzofe (World Mizrahi) says that Israel will shortly be placed under severe pressure to restore the situation to what it was before Operation Kadesh.

Lamerhav (Ahdut Ha'avoda) writes that we are in the midst of a great battle that will decide the fate of Sharm e-Sheikh and the economic future of Eilat. France's readiness to help with the pipeline to the southern port is no doubt inspired or backed by other countries but the readiness of Western capital to take a chance on so big an investment does not mean that the scales are already tipped in our favour. For us, it is very important to set up *faits accomplis*, by carrying out bold development projects that will back up our Sinai operation effectively and help us triumph in the political sphere as well.

Omer (Histadrut) feels that there are a great many possibilities of extending friendship and co-operation with France, so that it will become a most important factor not only for the countries concerned but for all the world.

# Readers' Letters

### SINAI TOURS

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — We should like to enlarge on your reports of December 20 and 21 with regard to tours to the Gaza Strip and Northern Sinai.

The above tours are offered to the public at a rate of IL16 from Tel Aviv and IL17,500 from Jerusalem, at the same time that institutions are organizing tours at rates from IL7,500 to IL11, because five Tel Aviv coach operators received a monopoly from the authorities to operate excursions. Charter rates for coaches are 50 to 80 per cent higher for tours to Sinai than for the tour to Sdom, which covers the same mileage.

Tourist offices licensed by the Government, and even those who received the special Government Tourist Emblem, have not received permission from the competent authorities to organize tours to Sinai, but are forced to hire coaches at exorbitant rates which compel them to work at a profit of not more than 10 per cent, provided the coach is fully occupied. Even if only four or five seats are vacant, the tourist office organizing these tours actually loses money on the operation.

There is no justification for granting a licence to only five coach operators, who have pooled their rates and transport to exclude free competition.

Yours, etc.
TRAVEX, LTD.
S. Scharf
Managing Director

Jerusalem, December 21.

### BOOK IMPORTS

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Coming on top of the introduction of the new exchange rate for English and American books, the news reported by the papers about the cancellation of the import of books from the U.S.S.R. is rather a blow to the book-loving and book-reading public with small means. Yours, etc.

A.S.

(Name and Address Supplied)

Haifa, December 20.

### HEROD'S TOMB

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — I should like to correct the information printed in your issue of December 19 concerning the Tomb of Herod's family in Jerusalem. The Department of Antiquities has not received from the Greek Patriarchate any demand for evacuation of this historical monument.

Yours, etc.
M. DOTHAN
Deputy Director
Department of Antiquities

Jerusalem, December 21.

### PEN FRIENDS

U.N. CHANDRAGIRI, 19 of 1/391 A, Gupta Bldgs., Bhandari Road, King's Circle, Bombay 19, India, would like to correspond with a young Israeli. He is interested in stamps and coin collecting.

# KEEPING POSTED

IT is not without its hazards even in the United States. According to the "Chicago Jewish Sentinel":

"Pain and anguish at being served chicken at a Barmitzvah party instead of fillet of beef — and the difficulties which resulted from this — were given by a father as the reasons for a claim for $150,000 damages in the Chicago Superior Court."

The paper reports that the unhappy father of the boy,

Mr. Arnold Nagler, had ordered a steak dinner for 200 people at a local hotel to celebrate his son's Barmitzvah. But instead of steak the caterer served chicken, which the complainant asserted was mentioned under price [illegible]. When Mr. Nagler refused to pay the $4000 bill, he said, [illegible] were locked in the [illegible] office and held captive [illegible] for two hours [illegible] finally [illegible] the [illegible] consented [illegible] anguish, suffering [illegible] humiliation.

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*THINGS are not quite like that in the Old City of Jerusalem. According to an American newspaperman, the Christmas season has left the city completely dead, for lack of tourists. The reduced number of visitors have turned to* [illegible]

*By Sept. 22 only 2[illegible] out of the 1[illegible] in the city [illegible] Arab-owned, except the [illegible] hotels. His gate-keeper mournfully told him that he was the first customer in the whole [illegible] The King David Hotel, the fifty-one-room Ambassador, [illegible] Fast Hotel, Jerusalem, fifty [illegible] and 200 taxi drivers are idle. The guides and the drivers talk not of politics but of the days when [illegible] flocked to the city [illegible] streams to visit the holy places. The city hopes some turn in world affairs will at least bring back the tourists for the Easter period. Specifically it yearns for the free-spending Americans. Under State Department orders, Jordan and Israel are now out of bounds for Americans, as are Egypt and Syria.*

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A CORRESPONDENT writes that his eight-year-old daughter wants to learn English, and often asks for the English names of common objects around the home. He explained to her the other day that in English she would say "a beautiful lamp", but not "a lamp beautiful", as in Hebrew. For a while this puzzled her, and then she said she understood. Obviously, in a language written backwards [illegible] English you would use the words in the opposite order, or they wouldn't make sense...

*A MAN from one of the frontier villages came up to consult an official in one of what are known as the National Institutions. It was afternoon, and he wandered down long passages with open doors offering glimpses of empty rooms. In the end he found a woman washing the floor. "Don't they work here in the afternoon?", he asked*

*her. "Oh, no", she answered. "[illegible] in the morning they [illegible] but in the afternoon they [illegible]."*

[illegible] contributors include Walter Feiler, Tel Aviv.

# At the Cinema

IT is hard to find appropriate words to describe the magnificent achievement of Disney's "Living Desert" (Orah, Haifa), a rich colour film which discovers comedy and tragedy, sex and mother love, adventure and daring escapes, war and death, not in fictional plots but in Nature itself.

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### Human War Debris

DESERVEDLY awarded a grand prize in Venice 1955, "Les Heros sont fatigues" (Zion, Jerusalem) is a film that is remarkable for its acting, its script and its direction alike. Yves Montand and Maria Felix, assisted by a galaxy of excellent actors, portray magnificently the human war debris rotting in the backwaters of an imaginary West-African capital. The treatment is existentialist with a most welcome positive ending. The atmosphere of the "civilized" negroes turned master race is caught to perfection. The only regret is that the truly intoxicating African rock 'n' roll Christmas carnival is not in colour.

### Classic Revival

"ANNA Karenina" (Eden, Jerusalem) bears with dignity the 1935 date stamp and proves that a true classic of the cinema can be as time-resistant as one of the theatre. The incomparable Garbo is radiantly beautiful in one of her finest roles. Frederic March, whom one would expect to see as Prince Karenin today, somewhat pales besides her as Vronsky.

### Newsreels

LAST week's remarks about Israel newsreels were corrected by the Association of Cameramen in a way which confirmed my basic criticism. If the foreign newsreels are also shot by Israel cameramen, it must be the fault of our producers if the local newsreels are as poor as the cameramen agree with me that they are. An excellent sample of incompetent presentation is this week's Geva, which manages to screen the Tel Mond attack less than a week after it happened but buries the scoop behind three or four more or less commercial items.

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